

1905.

RINGWOOD RURAL SANITARY DISTRICT.

MEDICAL OFFICER' OF HEALTH'S REPORT.

AREA OF DISTRICT 35546 acres.

POPULATION. 1901 Census 6220. Estimated to middle of 1905, 6498.

BIRTHS. 184. 28.8 per 1000 population.

INFANTILE MORTALITY. per 1000 births 65.2.

DEATHS REGISTERED. 81 or 12.4 per 1000, but deducting deaths of non residents (in the Linford Sanatorium) the corrected mortality is 75 or 11.5 per 1000. They are distributed as follows :-

Ringwood. .	55.
Burley.	8
Broomy.	7.
Ellingham.	1.
Harbridge.	3.
Ibsley.	2.
Workhouse.	5.

THE NATURAL INCREASE OF POPULATION is 103.

THE AVERAGE AGE AT DEATH 47 years 7 months.

Of these 81 deaths, 12 were under 1 year, 40 were under and 29 over 65.

ZYMOTIC DEATH RATE. .4 per 1000.

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INFANTS.

12.6 from premature birth, 1 Croup, 1 Enteritis, 1 Erysipelas, 1 Pneumonia, & 2 from other causes.

1 to 5.

2. 1 ~~Scarlet~~ Enteritis, & 1 from Marasmus.

5 to 15.

4. 1 Scarlet Fever, 1 Diphtheria, 1 Epilepsy, & 1 Diabetes Mellitus.



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15 to 25.            2.   1 Phthisis & 1 Diabetes Mellitus.

25 to 65.           32.   9 Phthisis, ( 6 of these at Sanatorium ) 3 Cancer,  
                          2 Pneumonia, 2 Heart Disease, 1 Influenza, 1  
                          Diarrhoea, 1 Cirrhosis of liver & 12 from other  
                          causes.

Over 65.            29.   5 Bronchitis, 5 Heart Disease, 1 Influenza, 1  
                          Enteritis, 1 Cancer, 1 Pneumonia, 1 Cirrhosis of  
                          Liver & 14 from other causes.

ZYMOTIC DISEASES.    There were 33 cases notified during the year & 3  
 deaths occurred. 1 Scarlet Fever, 1 Diphtheria & 1 Erysipelas. The  
 Scarlet Fever case was imported from London & the Diphtheria was  
 also not due to any local causes but likewise imported.

SCARLET FEVER.        9 cases have occurred during the year, 8 being in  
 Ringwood & 1 at Burley. The Death occurred at Ringwood. Burley School  
 was closed owing to this outbreak, and an area in the Hightown  
 District was declared infected for 6 weeks.

DIPHTHERIA.            There were 20 cases notified, 19 in Ringwood & 1 at  
 Harbridge. Of these 1 proved fatal. Owing to this epidemic the  
 Town Schools were closed from the 10th to 20th of November, & the  
 spread of the disease was checked. Some defects in Sanitary arrange-  
 -ments were found and remedied.

ENTERIC OR CONTINUED FEVER. 2 mild cases of Enteric were reported. No  
 local cause could be found.

PHTHISIS.              10 deaths occurred. ( a decrease of 1 on the previous  
 year ) 6 at Broomy, 2 Ringwood, 1 Burley, & 1 Harbridge.

CANCER.                4 deaths from Cancer, 3 being at Ringwood & 1 at  
 Burley, as compared with 12 in 1904.







THE YEAR 1905. There were epidemics of Diphtheria, & Scarlet Fever in different parts of this District. There were also 2 cases of Erysipelas and 2 of Enteric Fever. There was a slight increase in the number of births and a decrease of 31 in the number of deaths, while the deaths of Infants decreased from 18 to 12. 6 of these deaths were due to premature birth.

WATER SUPPLY. The supply of water is very good. The waters of several new wells have been tested and found to be satisfactory, and so far to my knowledge no disease has come under my notice caused by insufficient or impure supply.

SEWERAGE, DRAINAGE & EXCREMENT DISPOSAL. The Sewerage and Drainage are good & precautions have been taken to prevent stoppages. The Earth Closet System is still successfully adopted and arrangements for carrying away the soil have been satisfactorily carried out.

SLAUGHTER HOUSES, BAKEHOUSES, DAIRIES & COWSHEDS. These are inspected and reported on if defective, but they are as a rule well kept and in good order and also the

FACTORIES & WORKSHOPS, and the Sanitary Inspector has no difficulty with them, requiring special action or report.

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MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

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